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Marc Sievers is a career Foreign Service Officer and a newly promoted member of the Senior Foreign Service with the rank of Counselor. He arrived in Algiers in March 2003 following an assignment in the Department of State as Deputy Director of the Office of Jordan, Lebanon and Syria Affairs (NEA/ARN). Mr. Sievers' most recent previous overseas assignments were as Political Counselor in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, from 1998-2001 and as Deputy Political Counselor in Ankara, Turkey, from 1996-1998.

From January to June 2004 Mr. Sievers was Senior Adviser to the Iraqi Ministry of Foreign Affairs as part of the Coalition Provisional Authority in Baghdad.

Mr. Sievers entered the Foreign Service in 1981. In addition to the assignments mentioned above, he has served overseas as a political officer in Rabat, Morocco (1989-1992) and Cairo, Egypt (1986-1989), and in the Department of State in the Office of Israeli-Palestinian Affairs (1992-1994) and the Bureau of Intelligence and Research (1982-1984). From 1994 to 1995 Mr. Sievers served as a State Department Pearson Fellow on the staff of the House International Relations Committee in the United States Congress. Mr. Sievers' first assignment was as Vice Consul in Hong Kong (1981-1982).

Mr. Sievers received a BA in history from the University of Utah in 1978 and the degree of Master of International Affairs from Columbia University in 1980. The Department of State has awarded Mr. Sievers its Superior Honor Award in 2001, 2003, and 2004, and its Meritorious Honor Award in 1984, 1986, and 1991. He has also received the Director of Central Intelligence's Superior Collector Award for his political reporting in Cairo and the American Foreign Service Association's Sinclaire Language Award for his achievements in the study of the Arabic language and culture.

Mr. Sievers is married to Ms. Michelle Huda Raphael. He has two children, Miriam, age 21, and David, age 19, by a previous marriage.